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SUBJ: QATARI AID TO SOMALIA

1. APRIL 7 EDITION OF DOHA DAILY "AL ARAB" CARRIED BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT OF GOQ DECISION TO PROVIDE \$3 MILLION IN AID TO SOMALIA. ANNOUNCEMENT SAID PURPOSE OF GRANT IS TO COVER DEFICIT IN SOMALI BUDGET.

2. IT APPEARS LIKELY THAT GRANT IS RESULT OF MARCH 2 VISIT TO QATAR BY OSMAN MOHAMMAD GELLE, SOMALI MINISTER OF LIVESTOCK, FORESTY AND RANGE AND MEMBER OF THE REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL. ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPER ARTICLE PUBLISHED HERE AT TIME OF VISIT, GELLE BROUGHT MESSAGE FROM SOMALI PRESIDENT MOHAMMAD SIAD BARRE TO THE AMIR OF QATAR, SHAYKH KHALIFA BIN HAMAD AL THANI. REPORT SAID MESSAGE DEALT WITH RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND ARAB AFFAIRS IN GENERAL.

3. ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL HERE, QATAR WAS MAJOR IMPORTER OF SOMALI SHEEP BEFORE DROUGHT HAD IMPACT ON LIVESTOCK. IT SEEMS DONATION IS INTENDED AS DISASTER RELIEF AND FORM OF COMPENSATION FOR LOST EXPORT MARKET IN QATAR.  
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